



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of:

Terry P. Borer, et al.

Application No.: 10/618,416

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
IMPLEMENTING SOFT CONSTRAINTS  
IN TOOLS USED FOR DESIGNING  
PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC DEVICES**

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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2825**

Dear Sir,

In response to the Office Action made final mailed June 22, 2005, Applicants  
respectfully request the Examiner to consider the following remarks.

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